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FM AMEMBASSY ROME

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INFO AMEMBASSY NIAMEY

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AMEMBASSY NDJAMENA

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PARIS FOR HELMAN

USMISSION GENEVA FOR CARTWRIGHT

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SUBJECT: SAHEL WATER DATA NETWORK: NOAA VISIT

REF: NIAMEY 1577

FOR BLUMGART AID-36 WASHINGTON FROM ROCKNEY

1. NOASA TEAM HAD CORDIAL VISITS WITH WMO AND DIRECTORS OF
METEROLOGICAL SERCICES OF MAURITANIA, UPPER VOLTA, SENEGAL,
MALI, ND NIGER IN GENEVA APRIL 28-29 AND EXPLAINED PURPOSE
OF MISSION.

2. AFRICAN DIRECTORS APPRECIATIVE OF BRIEFING AND POSSIBLE
U.S. SUPPORT OF HYDROMETEROLOGICAL PROGRAMS IN SAHEL BUT URGED
THAT AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF TEAM PARTICIPATE IN DONORS
MEETING RE WMO UNDP PLAN FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN SAHEL HYDROME-
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TEROLOGICAL PROGRAMS TO BE HELD IN NIAMEY MAY 7-9.

3. BELIEVE WORTHWHILE FOR POLITICAL AND PRACTICAL REASONS THAT ONE MEMBER OF TEAM ATTEND NIAMEY MEETING AS AN OBSERVER BUT MAKE NO COMMITMENTS. THIS IS BEST CHANCE FOR CONSULTATIONS AND COORDINATION WITH OTHER POSSIBLE DONORS AND WILL BEAR DIRECTLY ON OUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO AID RE POSSIBLE U.S. ROLE IN WMO/UNDP PLAN.

4. THEREFORE, UNLESS ADVISED BY AID-36 TO THE CONTRARY CALL HELMAN IN PARIS BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAY 5 PARIS TIME WE PLAN BAGLEY DEPART PARIS FOR NIAMEY 1015 MAY 6 VIA RK 37 ARRIVING NIAMEY 1700 MAY 6 AND LEAVE AT 1540 FOR OUGADOUGOU ON MAY 10 VIA RK 303.

5. HOWEVER IF CHAD VISIT NOT DESIRABLE FOR POLITICAL REASONS, ROCKNEY WOULD GO TO NIAMEY DONOR'S MEETING INSTEAD OF J. BAGLEY WITH SAME TIME OF ARRIVAL.

6. SCHEDULE FOR REST OF TEAM UNCHANGED UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED BY AID-36.

7. AID-36 KINDLY ADVISE NOAA AS APPROPRIATE.

8. NIAMEY KINDLY ARRANGE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR BAGLEY OR ROCKNEY AS APPROPRIATE. BEAUDRY

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